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HAKE RECEIPTS THE FEATURE.

LARGE QUANTITY LANDED AT
THIS PORT SINCE YESTER-
DAY NOON.

Hake holds the fort here this morning in the fish line, three out of the five arrivals having about all their catches made up of these "goats." Sch. Elizabeth W. Numan brings 75,000 pounds and sch. Joseph H. Cromwell is down from Boston with a like amount, while sch. Sadie M. Numan, also down from Boston, has 30,000 pounds of the same kind of fish.

Yesterday afternoon sch. Ellen C. Burke came in from the Cape Shore with a big trip, 105,000 pounds of fresh fish, 40,000 pounds of which are cod and the rest hake and cusk. The craft has been out but a short time and Capt. James O'Brien and his men would have had even a larger trip but for the dogfish which are now on the grounds in countless numbers. Capt. O'Brien made a big record in sch. Buena and since he took command of the Ellen C. Burke has been excelling even his past fine work.

This morning a large trip of fresh pollock was brought in from the Rips by the big steamer James N. Gifford. This craft is owned and commanded by Capt. Allison, who operates the gill net fishing steamer Nomad here, and has the Lantz wharf where his own craft and others of the lake boat fleet land in the winter and spring seasons. The Gifford operates out of Noank, Conn., generally engaging in porgy fishing or trap work for scup, etc.

This morning the little sch. Esther Gray arrived with a few fresh fish and halibut and 10,000 pounds of salt fish, from the Seal Island ground. Steamer Beatrice E. had a fare of small pollock and sch. Mary Emerson came in with 20 barrels of large fresh herring.

During the forenoon the receipts of hake were added to by the arrival of sch. Stranger, hailing for 60,000 pounds.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Ellen C. Burke, Cape Shore, 105,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Joseph H. Cromwell, via Boston, 75,000 lbs. fresh hake.

Sch. Elizabeth W. Numan, Maine coast, 75,000 lbs. fresh hake.

Sch. Sadie M. Numan, via Boston, 30,000 lbs. fresh hake.

Steamer James N. Gifford, Rips, 150,000 lbs. fresh pollock.

Sch. Stranger, Maine coast, 60,000 lbs. fresh hake.

Sch. Esther Gray, Cape Shore, 10,000 lbs. salt fish, 3000 lbs. fresh fish, 5000 lbs. halibut.

Steamer Beatrice E., shore, 100 bbls. small pollock, 2000 lbs. large pollock.

Steamer Mary Emerson, shore, 20 bbls. large fresh herring.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Wm. H. Rider, Georges, drifting.

Sch. Jubilee, Georges, drifting.

Sch. Winnifred, Georges, drifting.

Sch. Harvard, dory handlining.

Sch. Ida S. Brooks, haddocking.

Steamer Geisha, pollock seining.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Fresh Fish.

Fresh large mackerel 25 cents each.

Haddock, \$1.15 per cwt.

Large cod, \$2.40 per cwt.; medium, \$1.85 per cwt.

Peak and Western bank fresh codfish, \$2.20 per cwt. for large and \$1.75 for mediums.

Cusk, large, \$1.75; mediums, \$1.25; Hake, \$1.00.

Dressed pollock, 90 cts., round, 80 cts.

Georges halibut, 8c per lb. for white and 6 1-4 cts. for gray.

Bank halibut 8 cts. per lb. for white and 6 cts. for gray.

Fresh "drift" codfish, large, \$2.60 per cwt.; mediums \$2.05.

Salt Fish.

Trawl bank codfish, large, \$4.50; mediums, \$4.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5; medium, \$4.75; snappers, \$3.

Peak and Western bank fresh codfish, \$2.25 per cwt.; for large and \$1.75 for mediums.

Salt "Drift" codfish, large, \$4.75; medium, \$4.37 1/2.

Trawl Georges codfish, large, \$4.75; medium, \$4.25.

Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.59; medium, \$4.
Haddock, \$1.25.
Pollock, \$2.
Cusk, large, \$2.50; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.50.
Hake, \$1.75.

All codfish with napes picked bring 25c over the above prices.
Cape North cod, \$2.30 for large and \$1.75 for mediums.

Fitting for Swordfish.

While no sword fish have been caught this season two Portland fishing schooners, the Katie L. Palmer and the Albert D. Willard, at Portland, are fitting out for sword fishing trips and will leave in another week. The Palmer will be commanded by Capt. Humphrey Sinnett while Capt. Frank Doughty will have command of the Willard.

From the Bank Fleet.

Bankers at Canso, N. S., recently report poor fishing on Quero and good fishing on Canso bank.

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Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Sawyer Brothers, Magdalen Islands, for Eastport, Me., with salt herring, was at Port Mulgrave, N. S., on Monday, and sailed for the former port.

Schs. John R. Bradley, Tattler and Rex were at Canso, Monday, the latter sailing for the Magdalen Islands the same day.

Sch. Winnifred is fitting for Rips fishing under command of Capt. Stillman Goodwin.

Capt. William H. Goodwin is fitting sch. Thomas A. Cromwell for dory handlining.

Sch. Priscilla, Capt. Fred Wolff, and sch. Annie and Jennie, Capt. Joseph Cooney, will fit for swordfishing.

Sch. Judique is engaged in salt bank trawling under command of Capt. Duncan McKinnon.

Capt. Augustus Firth is fitting sch. W. E. Morrissey for pollock seining.

Capt. Israel Bellevue is fitting sch. Titania for dory handlining.

Sch. Judique was at Lunenburg, N. S., Monday.

Sch. William H. Rider is at Boston today for cockle bait.

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Large Lobster in Net.

The steam trawler Foam brought in a big lobster, at T wharf yesterday, which was hauled up in the net with a catch of haddock and cod. The lobster measured, from head to tail, nearly three feet, and its big claws stood out a foot in front of the head. The smaller body claws measured 12 inches and the entire lobster weighed 6 1/2 pounds. The shell of the lobster had been crushed some by the weight of the fish taken in the net, but it was still alive.

Mast of Sunken Schooner on Cultivator Shoal.

Capt. Thomas of the steam trawler Foam, at Boston, yesterday, reported that while on the Cultivator Shoal on Georges banks, he came across the mast of a sunken vessel. It was half tide at the time and the derelict's mast stood some 15 feet out of water. It might, in the dark, prove a dangerous obstruction.

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FIRST CATCHES ON CAPE SHORE.

Mackerel Fleet Now Operating off Halifax, N. S.

A dispatch to the Boston Fish Bureau this noon from Halifax, N. S., states that about 30 American seiners are operating off there.

Several schools of fish were seen Tuesday night and two vessels, schs. Lucania and Clintopia, each got hauls of between 50 and 100 barrels.

Several other vessels got smaller hauls.

CAPE SHORE FLEET ON MACKEREL

Prospect of Good Catches Unless Weather Is Unfavorable.

Netters Landing Fish at New York and Other Ports.

According to reports at hand this morning, the fleet on the Cape Shore are on mackerel all right and have already made hauls off Sambro, also there is quite a body of fish to come along, for large schools have been seen off Liverpool.

A dispatch to the Times last night from D. C. Mulhall, its correspondent at Liverpool, N. S., states as follows:

"Large schools of mackerel, bound east, reported off here now. Seiners took from 50 to 100 barrels each off Sambro last (Wednesday) night. Thick fog and easterly today, (Thursday)."

This word is certainly encouraging as to the fish and not altogether pleasing as to the weather news. It is hoped that the fog will soon clear, so that the fleet will have a good fair chance to operate before the fish get too far to the eastward. Some bad weather is always looked for and expected, but that it may not last is the prayer of all here.

Thus far no body of mackerel has been reported as striking in close on shore along the western Cape Shore, and the nets and traps have made no large hauls and no word has been received of any fresh shipments on the Yarmouth steamers for Boston.

Schs. Benjamin A. Smith, Aloha, Alert and Sylvania were at La Have, N. S., on Monday.

Sch. George Parker was at Liverpool N. S., on Tuesday and cleared.

Saw Seiners Working on Fish.

Capt. Charles Colson of sch. Elk, which arrived here this morning from a halibut trip to Anticosti, saw some of the seining fleet as he was coming up the Cape Shore. Off Whitehead, on Monday night, several schools of fish were seen. The captain is not sure they were mackerel but says they acted like mackerel. On the next day just to the westward of Sambro, he sighted 16 sail of seining fleet and as he came in sight of them, one craft had her jibs down, evidently dressing fish, while all the

rest of the fleet were working on fish. As long as he was in sight of them the craft had her jibs down and just as he was going out of sight she hoisted her jumbo. About 10 miles to the westward of the fleet he sighted schs. Lizzie M. Stanley and Electric Flash coming along, bound up to the fleet.

Netters at New York.

The following netters were at New York yesterday afternoon:

Sch. Charlotte, 900 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Theresa, 500 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. W. H. Reed, 400 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Maud Gertrude, 300 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Louise, 300 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. E. H. Smeed, 500 large fresh mackerel.

Netters at Newport.

The following netters were at Newport yesterday afternoon:

Sch. Cherokee with 2000 large fresh mackerel.

Sloop W. H. Clement with 300 large fresh mackerel.

The fare of sch. Nellie Dixon, at Newport yesterday, sold at 20 cents per fish. Capt. Ellis and his crew have stocked about \$7000 on the two trips landed since Saturday last.

Netters at New Bedford.

At New Bedford yesterday were the following netters:

Sch. Braganza, 175 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Dart, 1500 large fresh mackerel.

Cape Cod Traps Getting Mackerel.

The Cape Cod traps are now getting quite a lot of mackerel, yesterday the Boston market received 25 barrels from there and this morning fully 50 barrels came from the same source. Chatham alone sending 30 barrels. The fish are large and sold this morning for 21 cents each.

The boats at Edgartown Wednesday took 900 mackerel.

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Lubec, Me., Herring Fleet.

The following vessels arrived from the Magdalen Islands with fares of herring for Lubec, Me., parties during the past week: Sch. Winnigance, Capt. Ingalls, on the 26th, 4887 barrels for Pike & Peacock. Sch. Fred B. Balano, Capt. Hallowell, on the 26th, 4500 barrels for Davis & Pike; Sch. Edith McIntire, Capt. Rayne, on the 28th, 2743 barrels for Frank M. Tucker and Walter B. Mowry.

Sch. Carrie C. Ware, from the Magdalen Islands for Lubec, Me., with a cargo of salt herring, was at Port Mulgrave, N. S., Tuesday.

Assumes Additional Duties.

The Canso, N. S., correspondent of the Clark's Harbor, N. S., Coast-Guard says:

"H. F. Robinson, of Gloucester, who has been manager of the Robinson Glue Factory here since its erection last summer is now also manager of the Canso branch of The Maritime Fish Corporation, taking the place of C. H. Whitman. Rumor has it that Mr. Whitman intends doing some business in the fish line, on his own account."

Seine Boat Crushed at Newburyport.

The seine boat belonging to the Newburyport Fish Cold Storage Co., was crushed yesterday afternoon and was so badly damaged that she is practically a total loss. She was lying at the company's wharf with the big auxiliary boat Gertrude on the outside. Barge C. R. R. of N. J., No. 14, was being shifted from Cashmans wharf to Balchs wharf, under her own power. The wind blew her in so that she forced the auxiliary yacht against the seine boat.

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Will Install Gasoline Motor.

The Gorton-Pew Fisheries Co., of Gloucester, will install a 25 horse power gasoline motor in sch. Ve'bena. This craft will be used by the company for towing schooners and boats about the bay and as a pay-boat in their prosecution of the herring fishery.—Bay of Islands, N. F., Western Star.

Newfoundland Fish Notes.

Halibut are still plentiful at Francois, near Cape La Hune, and the men engaged catching them are kept busy. The fish are not very large but there is no scarcity of them.

The cod fishery at Rose Blanche and Channel is now over. Fish have not yet struck in at other points west of St. Lawrence.

Left Captain Behind.

A Portland dispatch of yesterday says:

"This afternoon Capt. Warren Willie of the fishing schooner Robert and Carr notified the customs officials that his crew had taken possession of the schooner and gone to sea without him."

Will Also Fire Gun.

The French consul at Boston has received word that owing to the fact that the sound of the siren whistle at Gallantry light, south coast of St. Pierre, Miquelon, has been greatly reduced in sound, a cannon will be fired every half hour in addition to the blowing of the siren.

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Halibut Sale.

The fare of halibut of sch. Elk sold to the New England Fish Company at 10 cents per pound for white and 8 cents per pound for gray.

MANY ARRIVALS WITH GOOD FARES

SCH. CONQUEROR HAS BANNER TRIP OF FRESH AND SALT COD.

There's a good bunch of arrivals here this morning and several of the crafts have nice catches.

In the pollock line, sch. Emily Cooney reports with 100,000 pounds fresh from the Rips, while sch. Evelyn L. Thompson, from the same grounds, hauls for 150,000 pounds and sch. Grace Otis, 100,000 pounds. Sch. Marion Turner also shot in with 70,000 pounds. Sch. Rita A. Viator had trouble with her seine and brought 30,000 pounds. Sch. Thomas Brundage came along too, with 90,000 pounds.

In the way of salt codfish there is sch. Arthur D. Story from Georges handling with 25,000 pounds and 3000 pounds of halibut on the side, while sch. Marsala, which came in yesterday from the same sort of fishing has about the same sized fish. Sch. Volant from drifting had 29,000 pounds, landing them yesterday afternoon, and will get away again today, as Capt. Allen Doleman does not believe in losing any time when he is fishing.

From Boston is sch. Genesta with 80,000 pounds of fresh hake and sch. Romance with 60,000 pounds.

From the far away shores of Anticosti island, in the gulf of St. Lawrence, sch. Elk came yesterday afternoon with a small catch of fresh halibut. Capt. Colson found fish scarce on that ground which is generally a full trip spot at this season of the year.

The banner trip is the fresh and salt shack fare of sch. Conqueror, Capt. Robertson Giffin, from the Cape North grounds. The craft has 60,000 pounds of salt cod and 120,000 pounds of fresh cod.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Marsala, Georges, handling, 25,000 lbs. salt cod, 3500 lbs. halibut
Sch. Grace Otis, Rips, via Boston, 100,000 lbs. fresh pollock.
Sch. Volant, Georges drifting, 29,000 lbs. salt cod.
Sch. Elk, Anticosti, 10,000 lbs. halibut, 10,000 lbs. salt cod.
Sch. Thomas Brundage, Rips, 90,000 lbs. fresh pollock.
Sch. Conqueror, Cape North, 120,000 lbs. fresh fish, 60,000 lbs. salt cod.
Sch. Evelyn L. Thompson, Rips, 150,000 lbs. fresh pollock.
Sch. Rita A. Viator, Rips, 30,000 lbs. fresh pollock.
Sch. Romance, via Boston, 60,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Arthur D. Story, Georges handling, 25,000 lbs. salt cod, 3000 lbs. halibut.
Sch. Genesta, via Boston, 80,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Marion Turner, Rips, 70,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Emily Cooney, Rips, 100,000 lbs. fresh pollock.
Sch. Mary A. Gleason, Georges, drifting, 35,000 lbs. salt cod.
Sch. Jorgina, via Boston.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Vanessa, shacking.
Sch. Moaniam, shacking.
Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, shacking.
Sch. Norma, Georges, drifting.
Sch. Eglantine, Georges, drifting.
Sch. Olympia, Georges, drifting.
Sch. Arrow, Maine ports.
Steamer James N. Gifford, seining.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Trawl bank codfish, large, \$4.50; mediums, \$4.
Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5; medium, \$4.75; snappers, \$3.
Peak and Western bank fresh codfish, \$2.25 per cwt.; for large and \$1.75 for mediums.
Salt "Drift" codfish, large, \$4.75; medium, \$4.37½.
Trawl Georges codfish, large, \$4.75; medium, \$4.25.
Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; medium, \$4.
Haddock, \$1.25.
Pollock, \$2.
Cusk, large, \$2.50; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.50.
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All codfish with napes picked bring 25c over the above prices.

Fresh Fish.

Fresh large mackerel 25 cents each.
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Dressed pollock, 90 cts., round, 80 cts.

Georges halibut, 8c per lb. for white and 6 1-4 cts. for gray.

Bank halibut 10 cts. per lb. for white and 8 cts. for gray.

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PORT OF GLOUCESTER.

Coastwise Arrivals.

Steamer Leviathan, Boston for Portland.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Alert and Virginia took ice at Liverpool, N. S., on Monday.

Sch. Ingomar was at Liverpool, N. S., on Tuesday and cleared.

Sch. Independence II was at Halifax, N. S., Tuesday and cleared.

Sch. Diana was at Halifax, N. S., Monday and cleared.

Fitting for Mackerel Seining.

Capt. Jerry E. Cook is fitting sch. Marguerite Haskins for mackerel seining.

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LIGHT DEMAND AT T WHARF.

DEALERS OFFERING LOW PRICES AND TAKING BUT LITTLE FISH.

The T wharf dealers are all evidently thinking this morning a good deal more about the week-end they are going to spend at various points along the shore than they are about the 15 fish fares offered by as many skippers for their disposition, for they are not chirping very loud on price and are taking only a very few fish.

As a matter of fact, too, the trade is very dull, orders are small and scarce and Saturday is in sight, so new haddock are going at \$1.50 this morning, with some fine fares of new fish still unsold even at that price. Some large cod moved at \$2.65 and \$3.50 but hake, etc., did not have a look in and had to remain in the pens for the splitters to take care of with their knives.

The steam trawler Crest brought 43,000 pounds, mostly haddock and sch. Rose Dorothea had 55,000 pounds of haddock and cod. Sch. Victor and Ethan had 43,000 pounds, all haddock and the other trips were of average size.

There is no life to the market.

Boston Arrivals.

The receipts and prices in detail are:

Sch. Hope, 3000 haddock, 10,000 cod.
Sch. E. C. Hussey, 2000 haddock, 17,000 cod.

Sch. Victor and Ethan, 43,000 haddock.

Sch. Alice, 1500 haddock, 2700 cod, 2000 hake, 3000 cusk.

Sch. Rose Dorothea, 20,000 haddock, 35,000 cod.

Sch. Louise R. Sylvia, 18,000 haddock, 5000 cod.

Sch. Nettie Franklin, 22,000 haddock, 6500 cod.

Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 3000 haddock, 10,000 cod.

Sch. Boyd and Leeds, 3000 haddock, 10,000 cod.

Sch. Olivia Sears, 2000 cod.

Sch. Good Luck, 3000 haddock, 16,000 cod.

Steamer Isabel, 7000 pollock.

Steamer Crest, 41,000 haddock, 1600 cod.

Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, 15,000 haddock, 9000 cod.

Sch. Emilia Enos, 10,000 haddock, 5000 cod.

Haddock, \$1.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$2.65 to \$3.50; market cod, \$2 to \$2.75; market dull; some trips unsold.

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Halibut at Portland.

Sch. Monitor, Capt. George Marr, was at Portland yesterday with a fine fare, between 30,000 and 35,000 pounds of halibut and some salt cod. The halibut sold at 9½ cents per pound right through.

Sch. Juno is at Portland today with a small fare of halibut from Georges.

Nova Scotia Lobsters for France.

Lobsters are being collected at Halifax from the east and from the west, the north and the south in anticipation of the first lobster shipment to Harve, France. The first shipment is expected to be a big one. It will be by the Kanawha sailing about June 14.

THE CAPE SHORE MACKEREL FLEET

CATCHES MADE AND PRICES PAID FOR THE PAST SEVEN YEARS.

While but little has come to hand as yet of catches of mackerel being made by any of the mackerel fleet on the Cape Shore, yet the first arrivals are generally looked for early in June. With any kind of a chance, it does not take long for a seiner to fill up on a Cape Shore trip. It is known that the fish have struck there and the biggest problem is the weather. With good weather the vessels will have a chance to do something, but with fog and easterly winds and rough weather generally, the seiners will have little show to secure a trip.

The season there lasts but a few days and good weather is essential for a good catch, for with the bad weather the fish keep going to the eastward just the same and the fleet will be helpless to put a seine in the water to stop any of them.

In this connection a brief resume of the work of the Cape Shore fleet for the past seven years may be of interest.

The Cape Shore fleet of 1904 was very small, comprising but 26 sail, which landed 8800 barrels of salt mackerel and 2990 barrels of fresh mackerel. The season opened with a quotation on salt fish at \$9 per barrel, dropped on a few trips to \$8.75 and went back to \$9 and last sales were at \$10.

The Cape Shore fleet of 1905 comprised 57 vessels and brought home 14,100 barrels of salt mackerel and 3355 barrels of fresh mackerel. The first salt fare sold for \$10 per barrel, had later the fish went to \$10 1-2, then to \$9.50 and \$9.75, then jumped to \$11. After that the price varied between \$9.75 and \$11 and the season closed on a \$10.62 1-2 sale.

The Cape Shore fleet of 1906 comprised 70 sail, one of the largest fleets in recent years. It landed 4348 barrels of salt mackerel and 1360 barrels of fresh mackerel, the season thus being a great failure. The first fare of salt fish brought \$12 per barrel, and all the others sold at \$13. Fares were few and small.

The Cape Shore fleet of 1907 comprised 52 vessels, some of which left before the season was over, so that only 40 took fares. The catch aggregated 10,702 barrels of salt mackerel and 3080 barrels of fresh mackerel. The first salt fare brought \$11 per barrel, which was practically the price for the whole catch. Two fares brought \$11.75 and two \$12, the season closing on the latter figure.

The Cape Shore fleet of 1908 comprised 63 sail and brought home 13,963 barrels of salt mackerel and 6390 barrels of fresh mackerel. Of the whole fleet, 30 sail had fresh fish in addition to their salted catch. The market opened at \$10 per barrel for salt mackerel, then went to \$9. Later sales were made at \$9.37 1-2, \$9.35, \$9.50 and the last fare of the season brought \$9.

The Cape Shore fleet of 1909 comprised 61 sail, which landed 11,681 barrels of salt mackerel and 9000 barrels of fresh mackerel. The first fares came on June 9, when sch. Speculator and sch. Judique reached Boston, the former with 40,000 fresh mackerel which sold at 15 cents each and 22 barrels of salt mackerel which sold for the lump sum of \$200, while the latter had 25,000 fresh mackerel which sold at 15 1-2 cents each and 9 1-2 barrels of salt mackerel which sold for a lump sum, \$100. The first real fare lot of salt mackerel brought \$9.62 1-2 per barrel, then the fish advanced to \$9.75 and then to \$10 per barrel, at which figure many fares sold. The price then rose to \$10.25 and then to \$10.50, there being many sales at the latter figure which held to the close of the season. Fresh mackerel from the Cape Shore went as low as 8 cents apiece and then rose to 14 cents.

The Cape Shore fleet of 1910 numbered 50 sail and the season was the biggest failure on record, the fleet landing but 2490 barrels of salt mackerel. The first fare of 40 barrels of salt mackerel arrived June 13. Salt mackerel sold at \$15.50 per barrel, that being the first sales and was held to throughout the season for Cape Shore fish. Fresh mackerel from the Cape Shore sold at 25 and 25 1-2 cents apiece.

This season the fleet on the Cape Shore numbers but 32 sail.

Portland Fish Notes.

The big herring fares landed here on Tuesday were followed by still larger receipts Wednesday, more than a dozen craft having brought in good sized catches, about 600 barrels in all being landed and taken out at the Lord Brothers sheds and the Portland Cold Storage plant. The fish were about all large and were caught mostly in the vicinity of Half Way Rock, where the waters are reported to be alive with them and the fishermen after landing their fares yesterday put to sea again to make another catch while the fish are plentiful. The smaller sized, or sardine herring, are also reported in several directions this week and the factory at South Portland, which received about 400 bushels this week, has been working night and day in canning them. Taking it altogether fishing prospects at present are more encouraging than they have been for a long time, and it looks as though the fishermen will have a prosperous season in all branches of the business.

In all about 75,000 pounds of pollock were brought in Wednesday, the largest single lot was that brought in by the steamer Elthier from the eastward; there were 35,000 pounds in this fare. A lot of 18,000 pounds were received by the F. S. Willard Company from the Bald Head traps and the other amounts brought here were enough to send the total to the figure given above.

Herring at Portland

Loaded so deeply that their decks were almost awash, a fleet consisting of one schooner and at least a half dozen sloops came into Portland Wednesday morning with the first herring of the season, and landed at Central Wharf nearly 1,000 barrels. The fish were about the largest ever landed at Portland, weighing about a pound each.

Four hundred barrels were taken from the holds of the sloops at the Portland Cold Storage Plant and about 460 barrels were landed at Lord Bros' shop.

All the fish were caught off Half Way Rock. Sch. Robert and Carr was high liner of the fleet with 150 barrels. Other craft in the herring fishing fleet were, Alice G., the Rob Roy, the Lancia and the Bennie.

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WILL NOT PRESS AMENDMENT.

SENATOR LODGE WILL OFFER ONE TO PROTECT THE FISHERIES.

A Washington dispatch to the Boston Journal says:

"Senator Lodge will offer his amendment to the Canadian reciprocity bill in the Senate providing for the protection of the fisheries interests, but it is learned today that he will not press it. He will insist that it is a meritorious measure, but will not make a fight in its behalf.

This information came from the White House today when it became known that President Taft has assurance from all the regular Republican senators to the effect that they will no longer impede the progress of his bill. The President is strongly opposed to any and all amendments, and has used all his influence against such movements. Senator Lodge, it is learned, has expressed a willingness not to embarrass the President by fighting for his fisheries amendment.

"President Taft is certain that the reciprocity bill will pass the Senate by a comfortable majority if it can be brought to a final vote without amendment. He feels that the test for the true friends of reciprocity will come with the proposed amendments to be offered from the floor. Mr. Taft has recently had assurance that the bill will be reported by the finance committee without amendment and without recommendation. This is what he greatly desires.

"The President feels that any amendment in the Senate will defeat the bill, and he believes that to be the purpose of some senators who have proposed amendments.

May Buy Fish at Yarmouth.

The Halifax Herald, under its Yarmouth news, says:

"Mr. Perkins, of Gloucester, is in town. He talks of establishing a fish buying business at some point along the shore."

Sch. Polly Still in Service.

The venerable schooner Polly, about which so much has been written in times past, is still in active service, and is now on her way from Bangor for Beverly, with lumber.